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SUBJECT: INDIAN REQUEST FOR ADDITION OF PRODUCTS TO GSP

REF: A) STATE 057706 B) STATE 050501
C) 77 STATE 248708

1. EMBASSY SHOULD INSERT FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS IN
LETTER TO INDIAN GOVERNMENT OUTLINED IN REF A.

2. PARA 2 OF LETTER. I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT
THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS REQUESTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF
INDIA WERE ADDED TO GSP EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 1978: TSUS
437.00 BRUCINE, 646.90 LUGGAGE LOCKS, 650.31 FORKS
WITHOUT HANDLES AND 650.92 NON-ELECTRIC BELLS. FIVE
ITEMS REQUESTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WERE LEFT
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PENDING. EVERY ATTEMPT HOWEVER, WILL BE MADE TO REVIEW
THESE ITEMS DURING THE NEXT 90 DAYS. PENDING ITEMS
ARE TSUS 337.20 FABRICS OF SILK, 648.80 PADLOCKS,
646.89 CABINET LOCKS, 648.81 SLIP-JOINT PLIERS AND
732.36 OTHER PARTS OF BICYCLES. I REGRET TO INFORM
YOU THAT THIS REVIEW LED TO A DECISION TO MAKE NO
CHANGE IN THE DUTY STATUS OF DIAMONDS NOT OVER

.5 CARAT (TSUS 520.32), DIAMONDS OVER .5 CARAT
(520.33) RESISTORS (686.10), BICYCLES (732.18) AND

BICYCLE FRAMES (732.30). THE PROCEDURES BY WHICH
THESE CONCLUSIONS WERE REACHED ARE DESCRIBED BELOW.

3. PARA 4 OF LETTER. THE TPSC IN REVIEWING YOUR
REQUEST TO MODIFY THE DUTY STATUS ON BICYCLES AND
BICYCLE FRAMES, DETERMINED THAT THESE PRODUCTS ARE
IMPORT-SENSITIVE WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF GSP.
FURTHERMORE, BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE
GENERALLY ALREADY COMPETITIVE WITH OTHER EXPORTING
COUNTRIES. ON DIAMONDS, THE TPSC DETERMINED THAT
THE SPECIAL NATURE OF THE WORLD DIAMOND TRADE
MADE IT INADVISABLE TO PUT THESE ITEMS ON GSP AT
THIS TIME. IN ANY EVENT, INDIA WOULD BE EXCLUDED
BY COMPETITIVE NEED ON 520.32 WHERE MOST OF
INDIAN TRADE IS, AND THUS NOT BENEFIT FROM GSP.
IN REVIEWING RESISTORS, THE TPSC DETERMINED THAT
THIS PRODUCT WAS IMPORT-SENSITIVE WITHIN THE CONTEXT
OF GSP AS SHOWN BY THE FACT THAT IMPORTS HAD
RISEN SIGNIFICANTLY IN BOTH 1976 AND 1977. VANCE

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